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# PLAN HILLCREST

Hillcrest FPA

Public Realm

# Tonight's Team

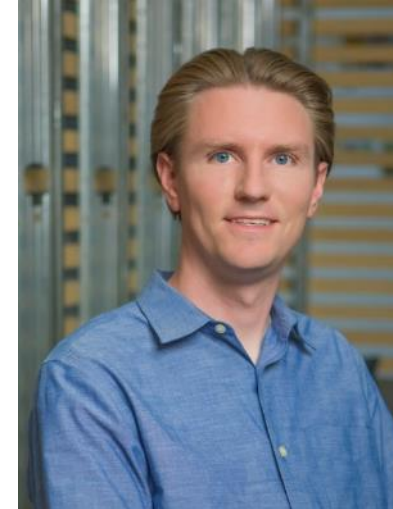
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# Subcommittee Agenda

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1. Introductions
2. Recap of December Public Realm Meeting
3. Urban Greening
4. Corridors / Linear Parks
5. Subarea Park Opportunities
6. Subcommittee and Public Comment

# Tonight's Focus and Expected Takeaways

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## **Purpose**

Provide an Overview of Public Realm, Parks & Public Space and Urban Greening Concepts

## **Discussion**

Discuss opportunities by public space typology and potential locations

## **Takeaways**

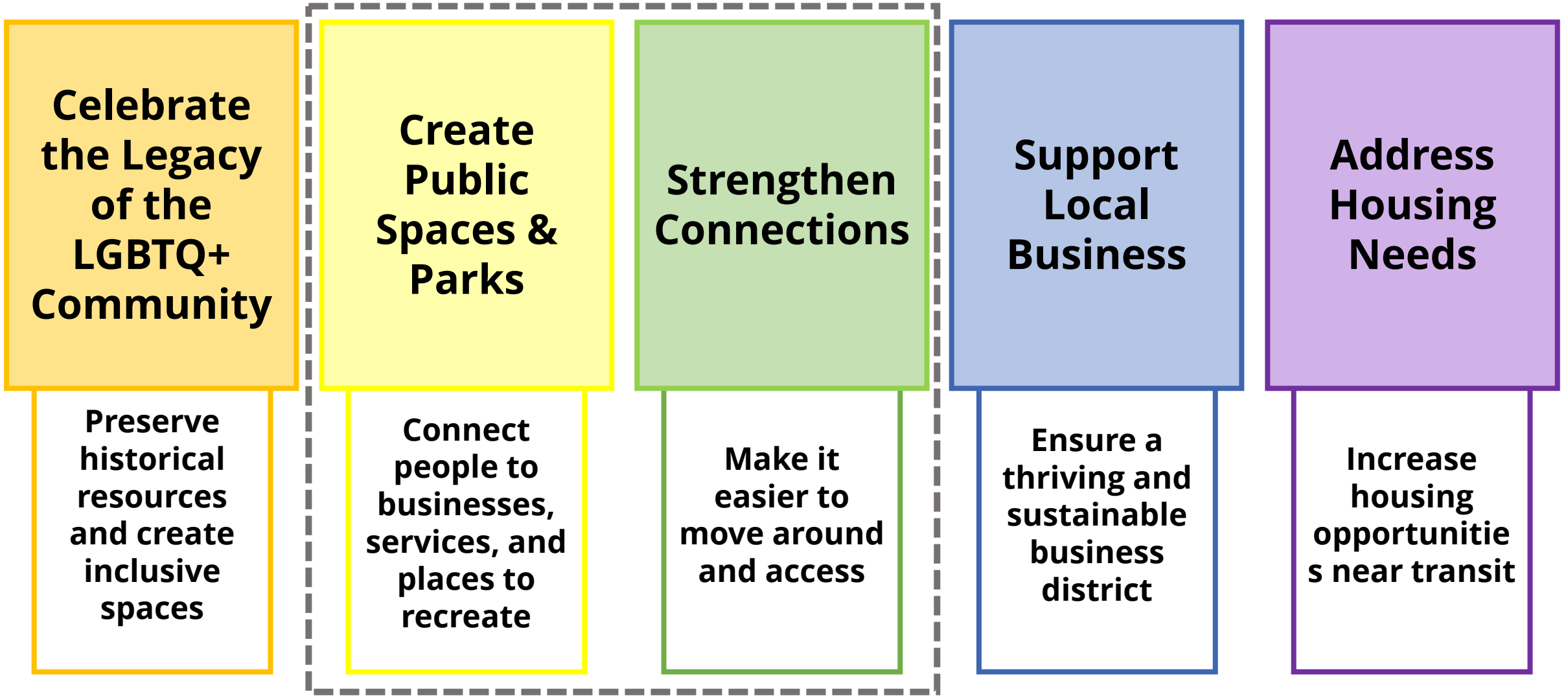
Provide feedback to guide the design of new public spaces and parks in Hillcrest

## **What's Next?**

Public Space Concept development and refinement based on community input



# Recap - Plan Hillcrest Objectives



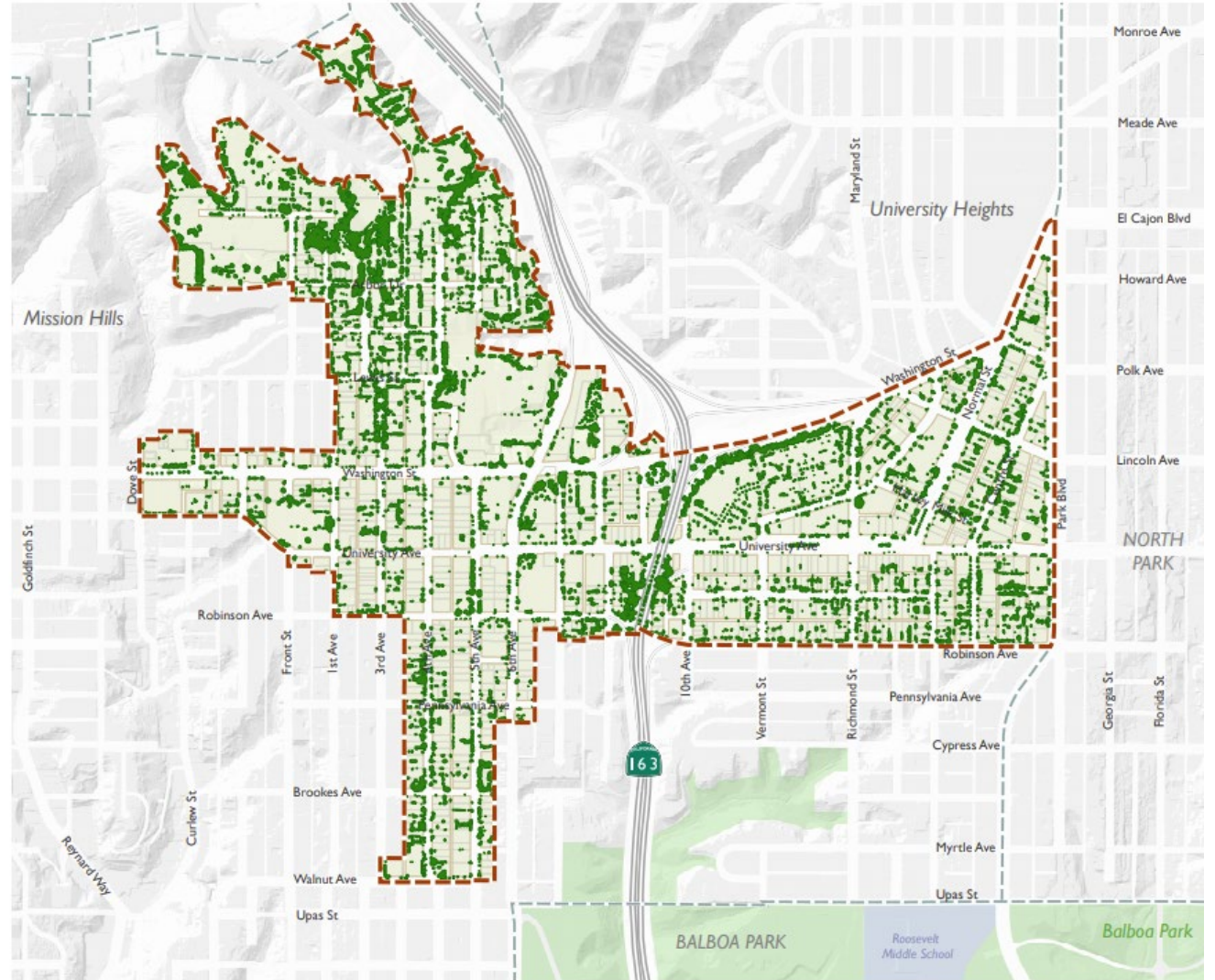
# December Public Realm Recap

- Park locations in proximity to higher density
- Incentivizing implementation is important
- Multi-generational design – places for all ages
- Universal design and accessibility
- Public restrooms desirable
- Include technology – WI-FI and power outlets
- Utilize parking lots and street ROW for parks / plaza
- Create a comprehensive urban open space system



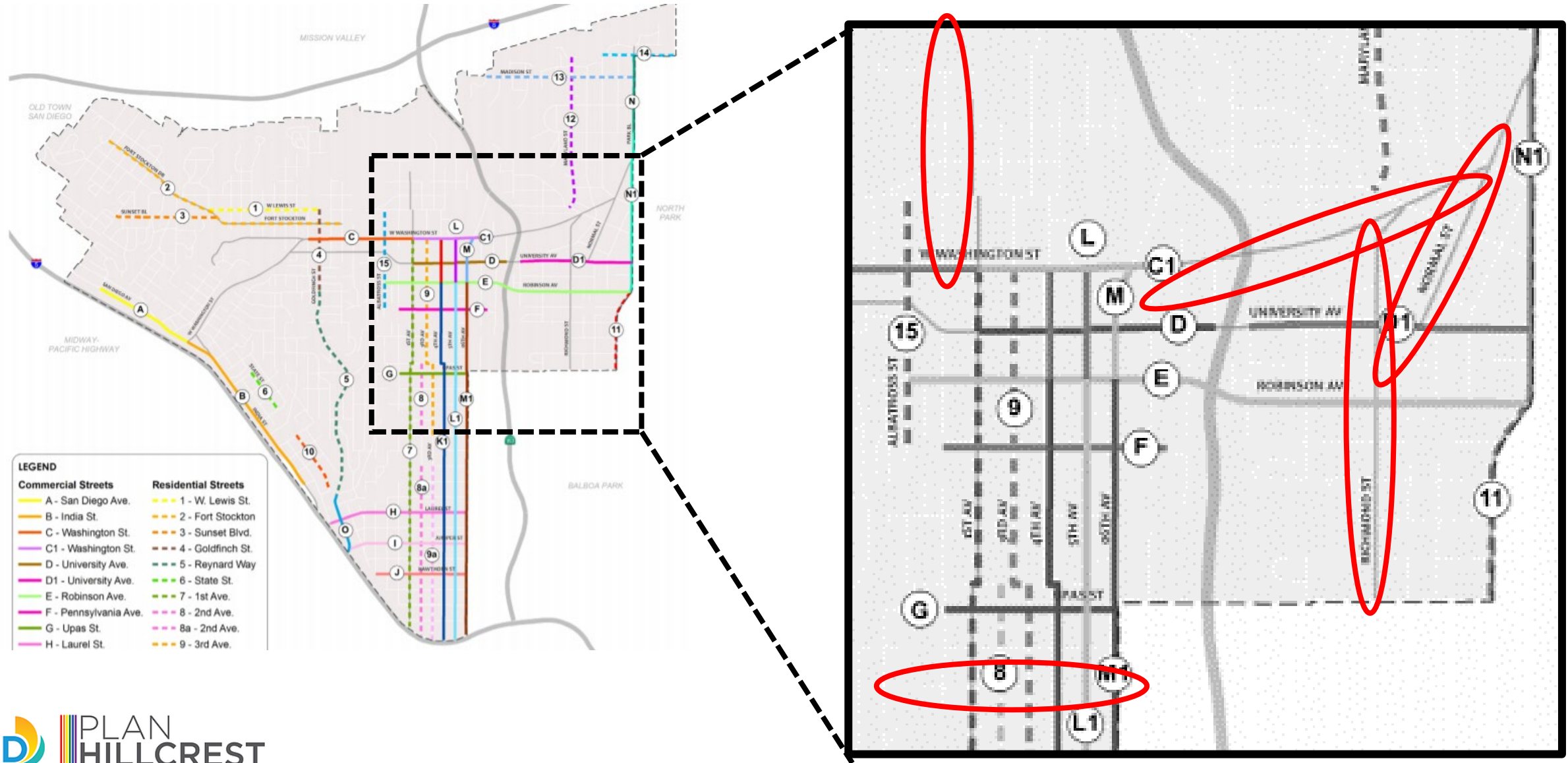
# Urban Forest + Urban Greening

- 2020: near the CAP goal of 15% at 14% in Uptown
- CAP goal of 35% in 2035





# Urban Greening: Current Street Tree Plan



# Urban Greening: Opportunities

- Define additional primary streets:  
**Washington, Normal & Front**
- Green Street Connectors to Balboa Park:  
**Park, Richmond, Upas & Spruce**

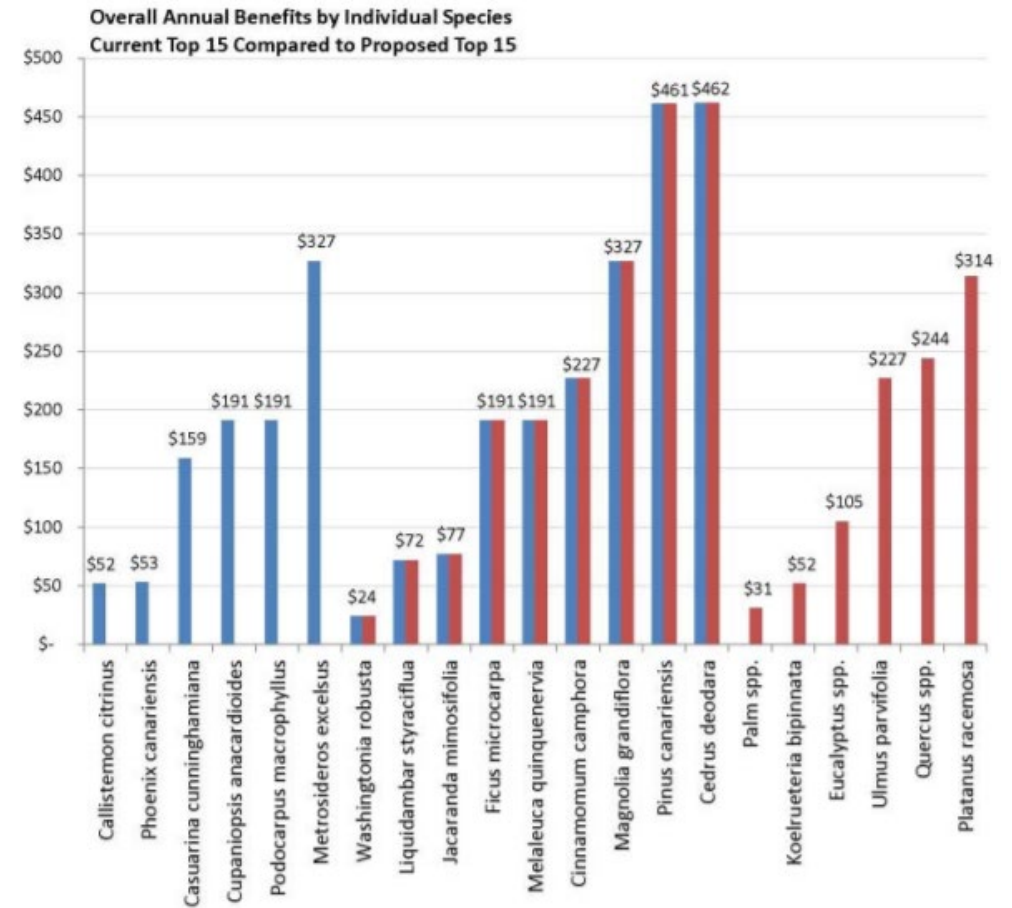


# Urban Greening: Opportunities

- Sustainability: Stormwater, Energy Savings, Urban Heat Island Reduction



Flow-through stormwater planter



Source: Santa Monica Urban Forest Master Plan (2017)

Data From US Forest Service 'iTree' software



# Urban Greening: Opportunities



- Additional trees in medians / street edges



*Washington Ave Medians*



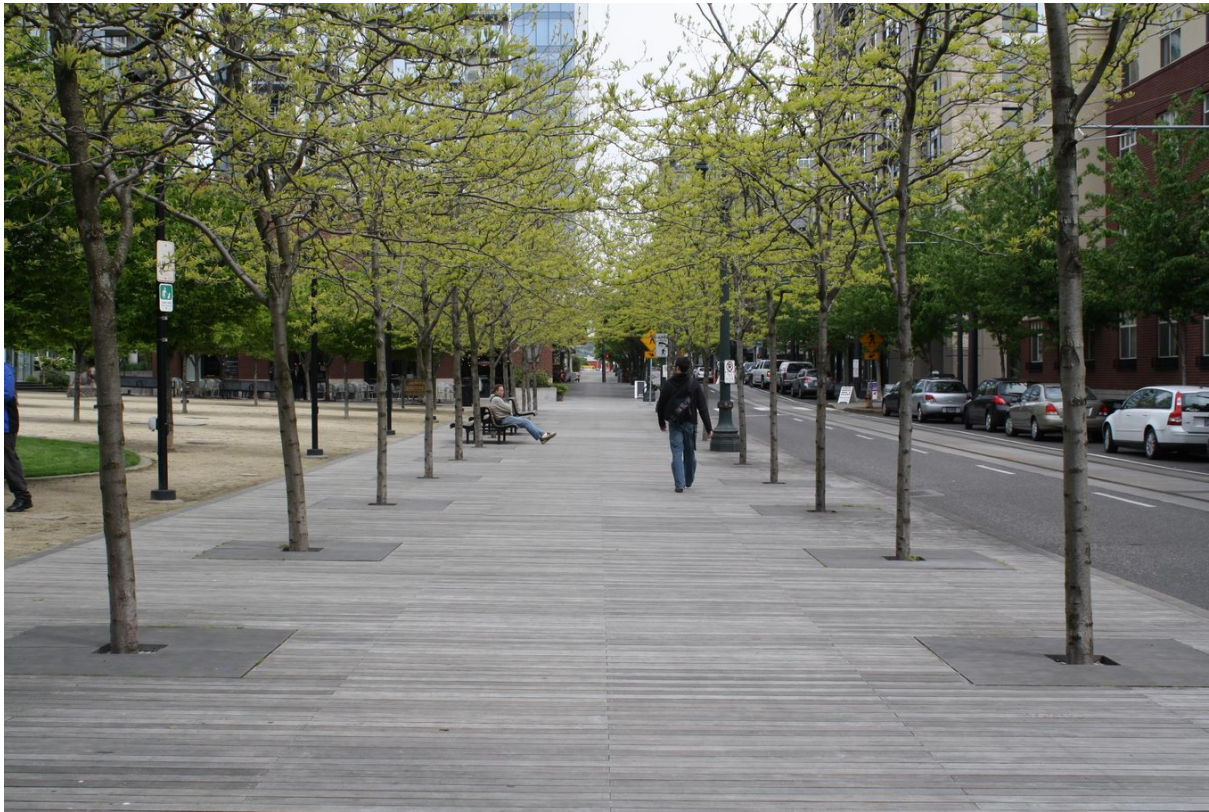
*Washington Ave Medians & Streetscape*



# Urban Greening: Opportunities



- Double rows of trees at wider setbacks





# Urban Greening: Opportunities



- Utilize parks and open spaces for enhanced tree canopy





# Urban Greening: Opportunities

- Residential areas - Free Tree SD Program

The screenshot shows the City of San Diego website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the city logo, weather information (60° SAN DIEGO WEATHER), and a search bar. Below the navigation bar, there are several menu items: LEISURE (Explore, Play + Events), RESIDENT RESOURCES (Pay Now, Parking + Help), DOING BUSINESS (Fix, Plan + Build), LIBRARY (Learn, Connect + Discover), PUBLIC SAFETY (Police, Fire + Lifeguards), and CITY HALL (City Officials + Departments). The main content area features a large heading 'Trees' and a sub-heading 'Request a Free Tree SD'. The page includes a navigation menu with 'Trees Home', 'Overview', 'Maintenance', 'Preservation', and 'Links'. The main text describes the program and lists conditions for requesting a free tree. A sidebar on the right provides a link for more information: [www.sandiego.gov/trees](http://www.sandiego.gov/trees).

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## Trees

Trees Home Overview Maintenance Preservation Links

### Request a Free Tree SD

Trees make our neighborhoods more beautiful and livable. They also keep us cool, make the environment greener, and save us money on energy costs.

To receive a FREE TREE for your parkway (the area between your sidewalk and street curb), please review the conditions of agreement and fill out the below form.

CONDITIONS:

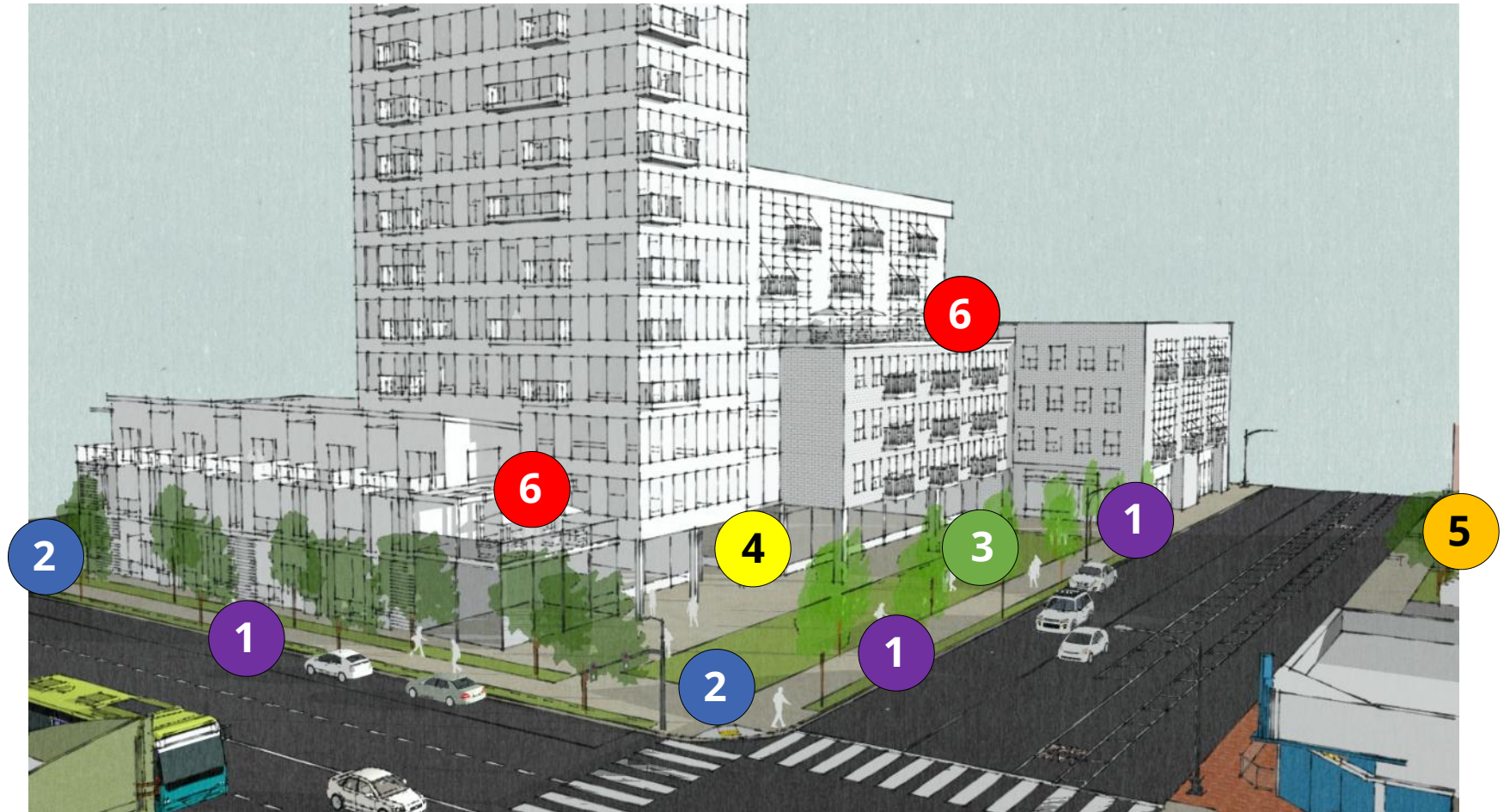
- Location of property must be within City of San Diego limits
- Resident/property owner agrees to water the tree for three years to get tree's life started per the recommended watering schedule noted below
- The City's horticulturist will review your parkway to determine an appropriate tree species
- Resident/property owner understands that driveways, street corners, fire hydrants and other objects may limit where tree(s) can be planted

For more information on maintaining your tree, visit [www.sandiego.gov/trees](http://www.sandiego.gov/trees).

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# Public Realm Typologies

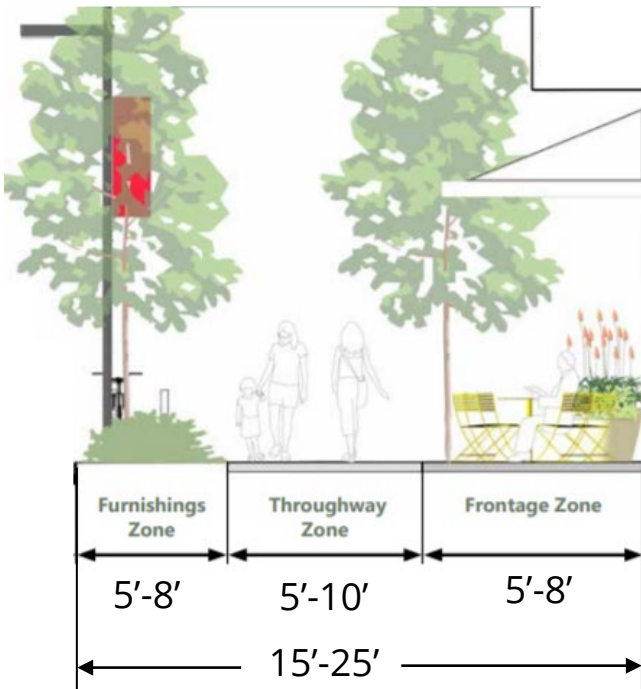
- 1 Streets & Alleys
- 2 Corner Plazas
- 3 Linear Parks
- 4 Paseos
- 5 Mini-Parks / Pocket Parks
- 6 Indoor Rec Facilities



# Corridors - Urban Corridors & Linear Parks

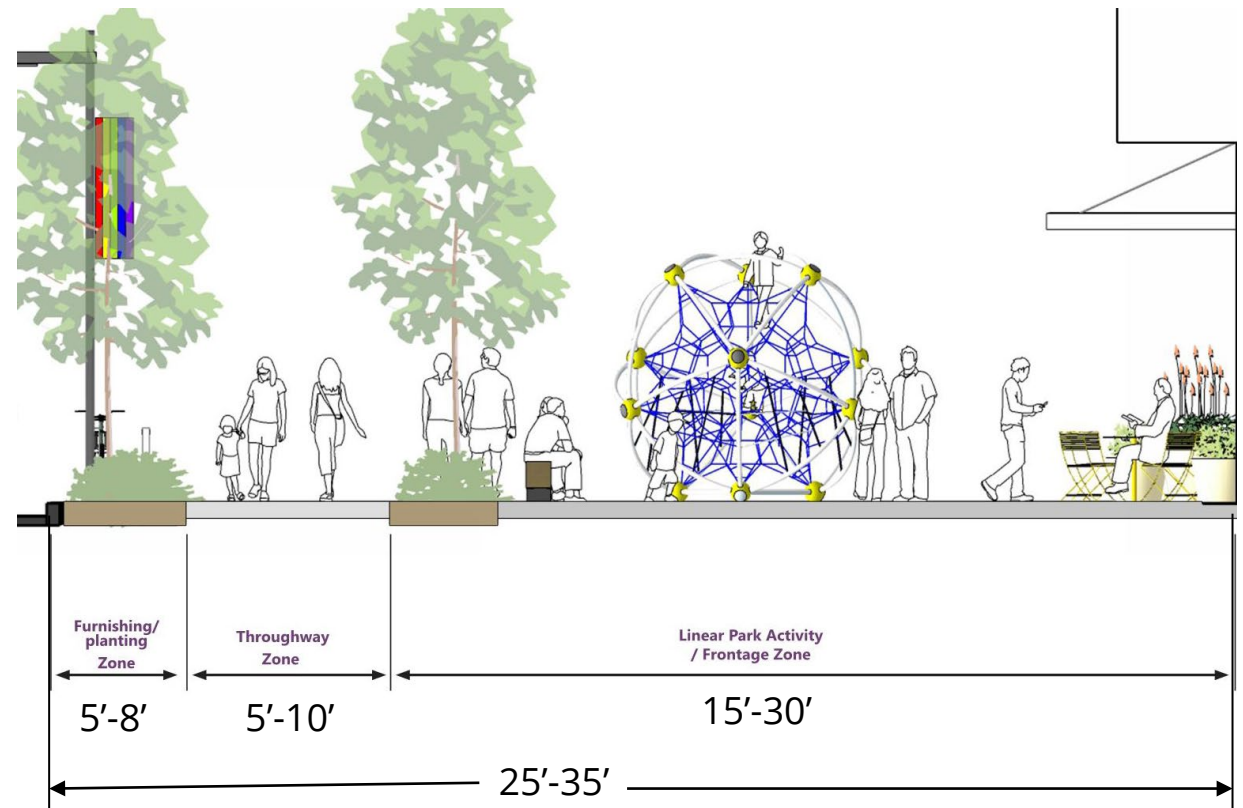
## Urban Corridor: 15'-25'

- Connector / Circulation
- Café Seating
- Urban Greening



## Linear Park: 25' – 35'\*

- Similar to Urban Trail
- More amenities & recreation





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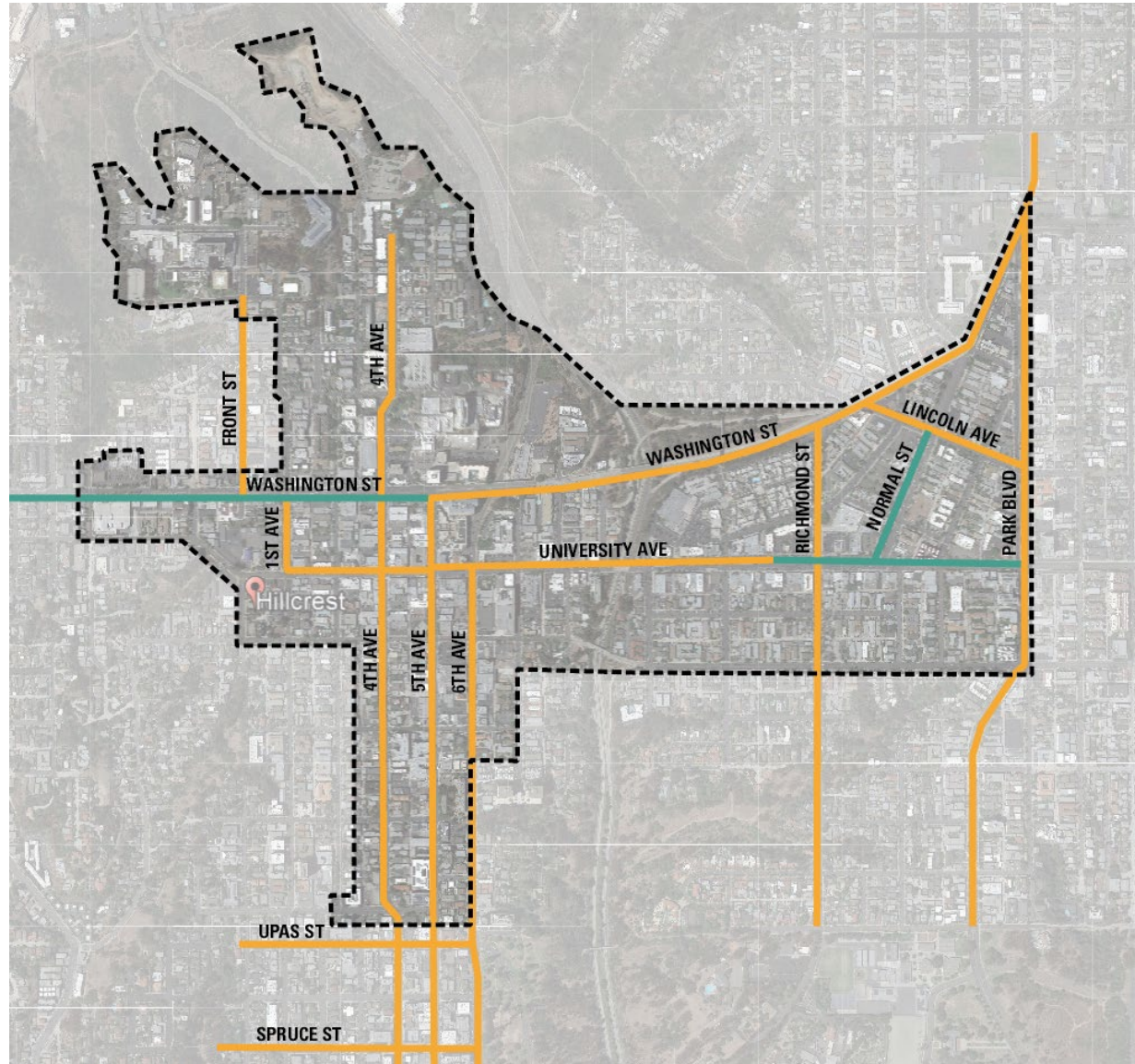
## Linear Parks

- Washington (west)
- Normal Street Promenade
- University (east)

## Urban Corridors

- Washington (east)
- University (west)
- 4<sup>th</sup> / 5<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup> Ave.
- Park Blvd.
- Front St.
- Richmond St.
- Upas
- Spruce

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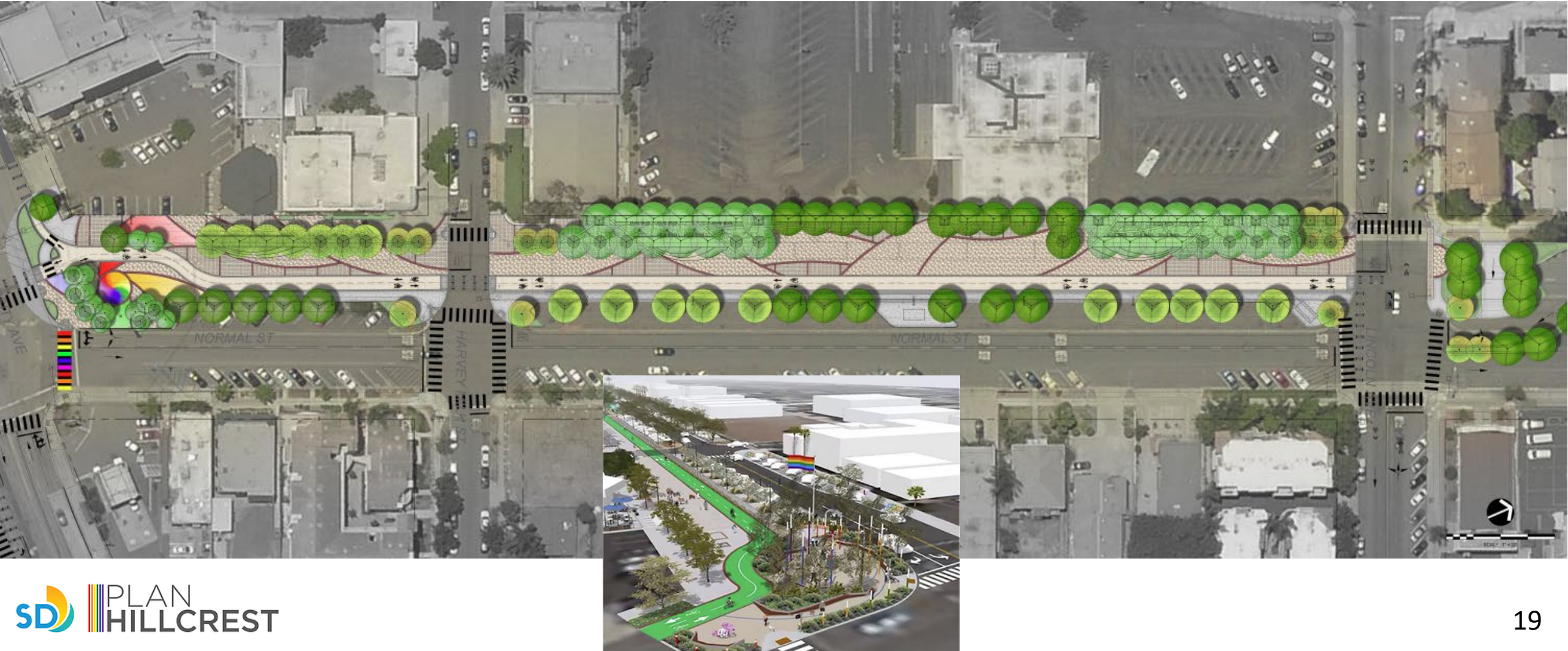


# Public Art and Uptown Alleys





# Normal Street Promenade

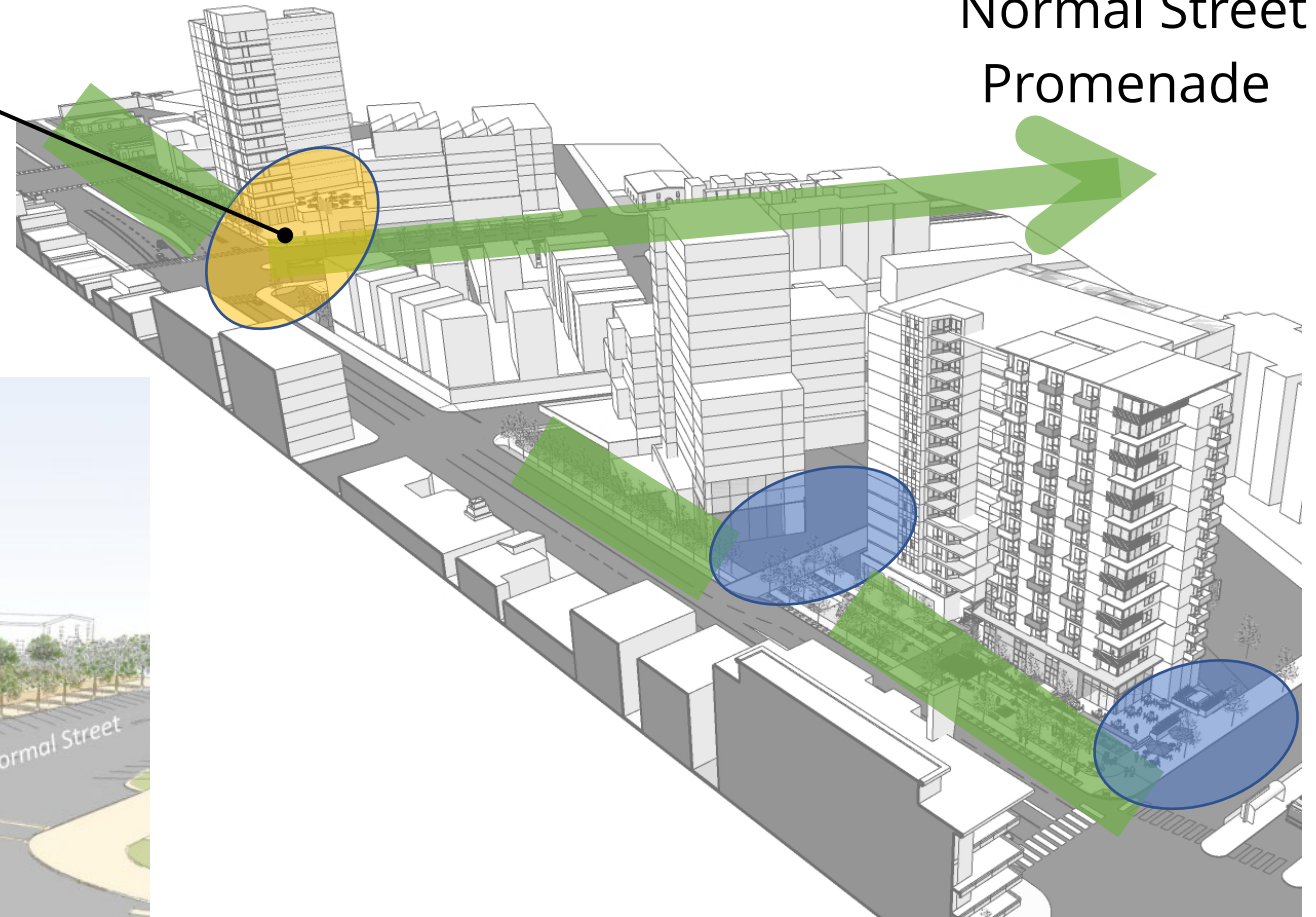


# University Ave Linear Park



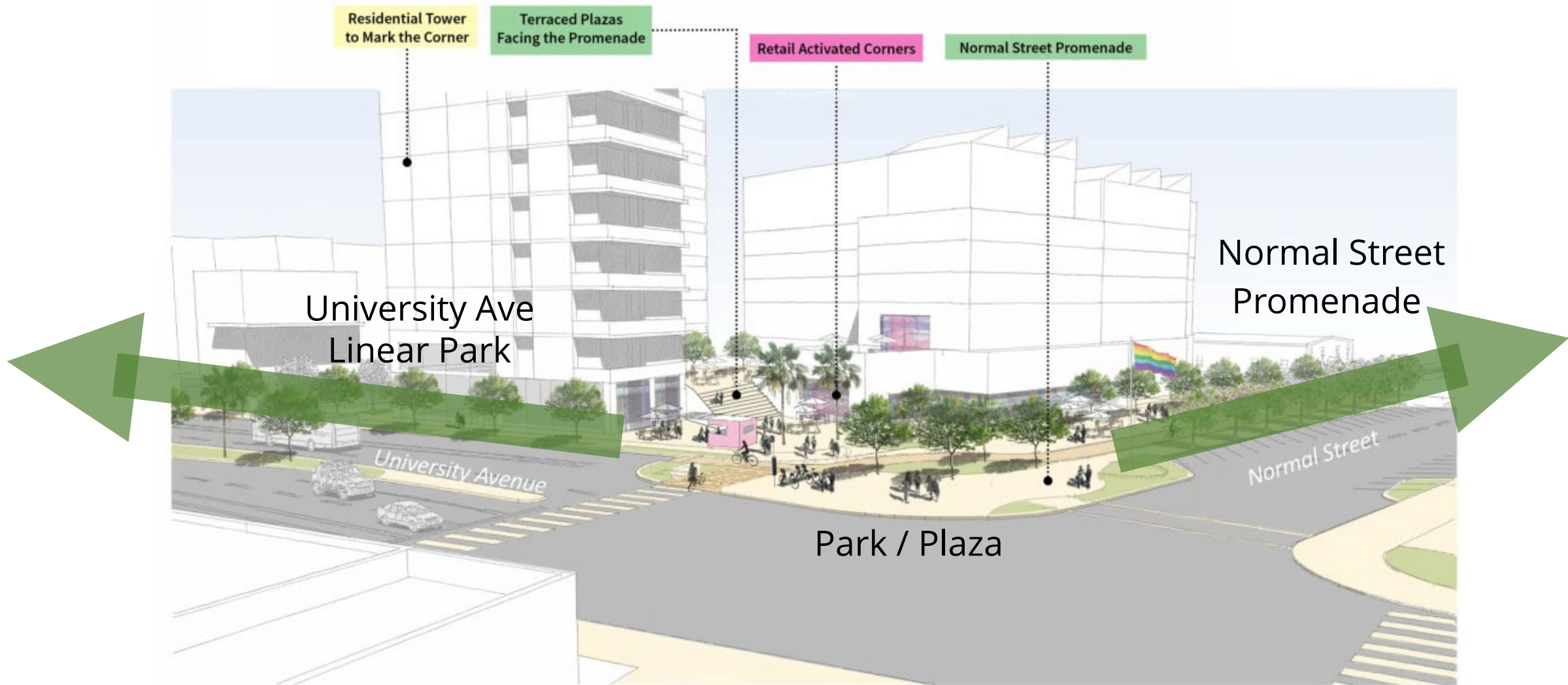
Park / Plaza at  
Normal St Promenade

Normal Street  
Promenade

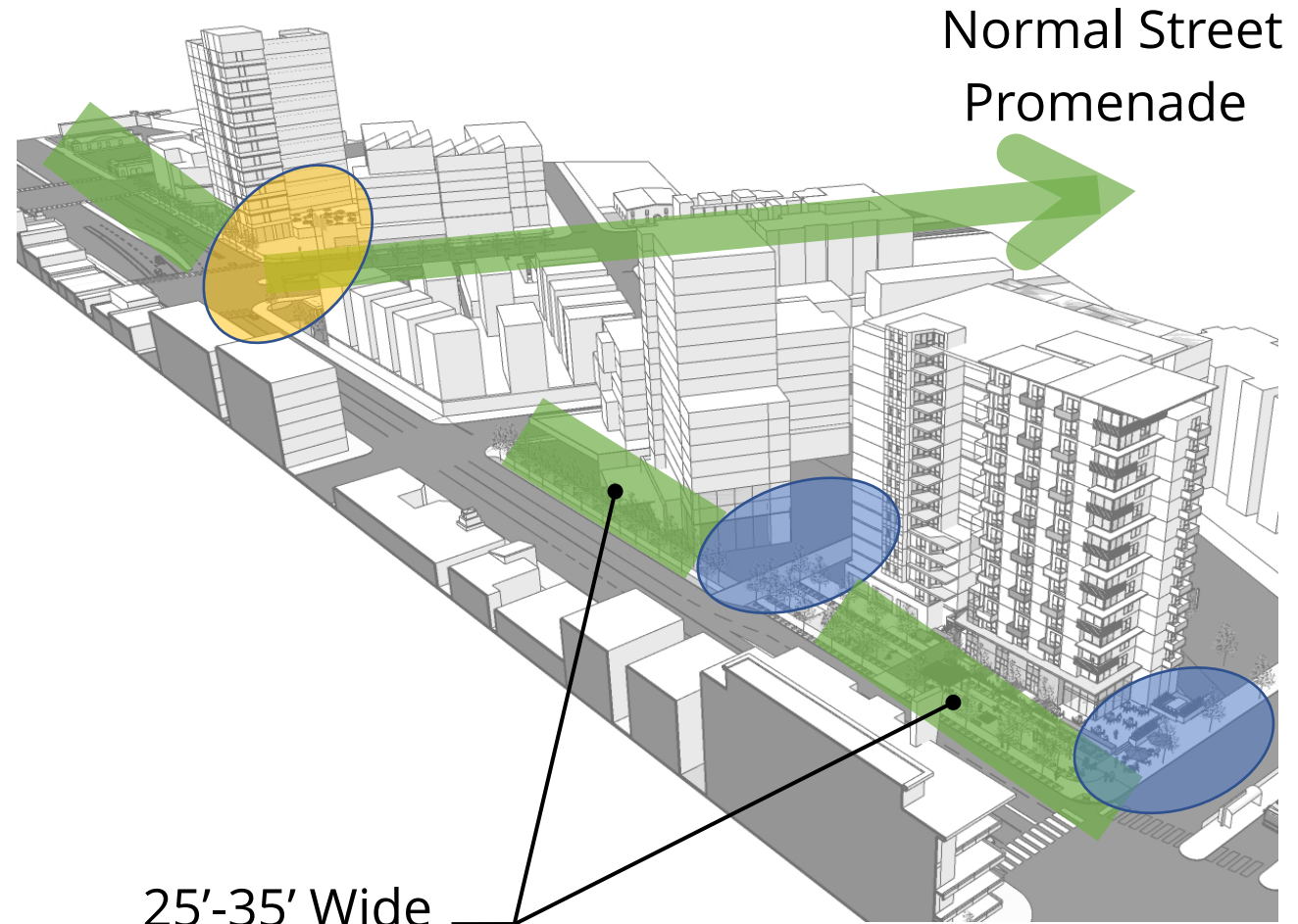




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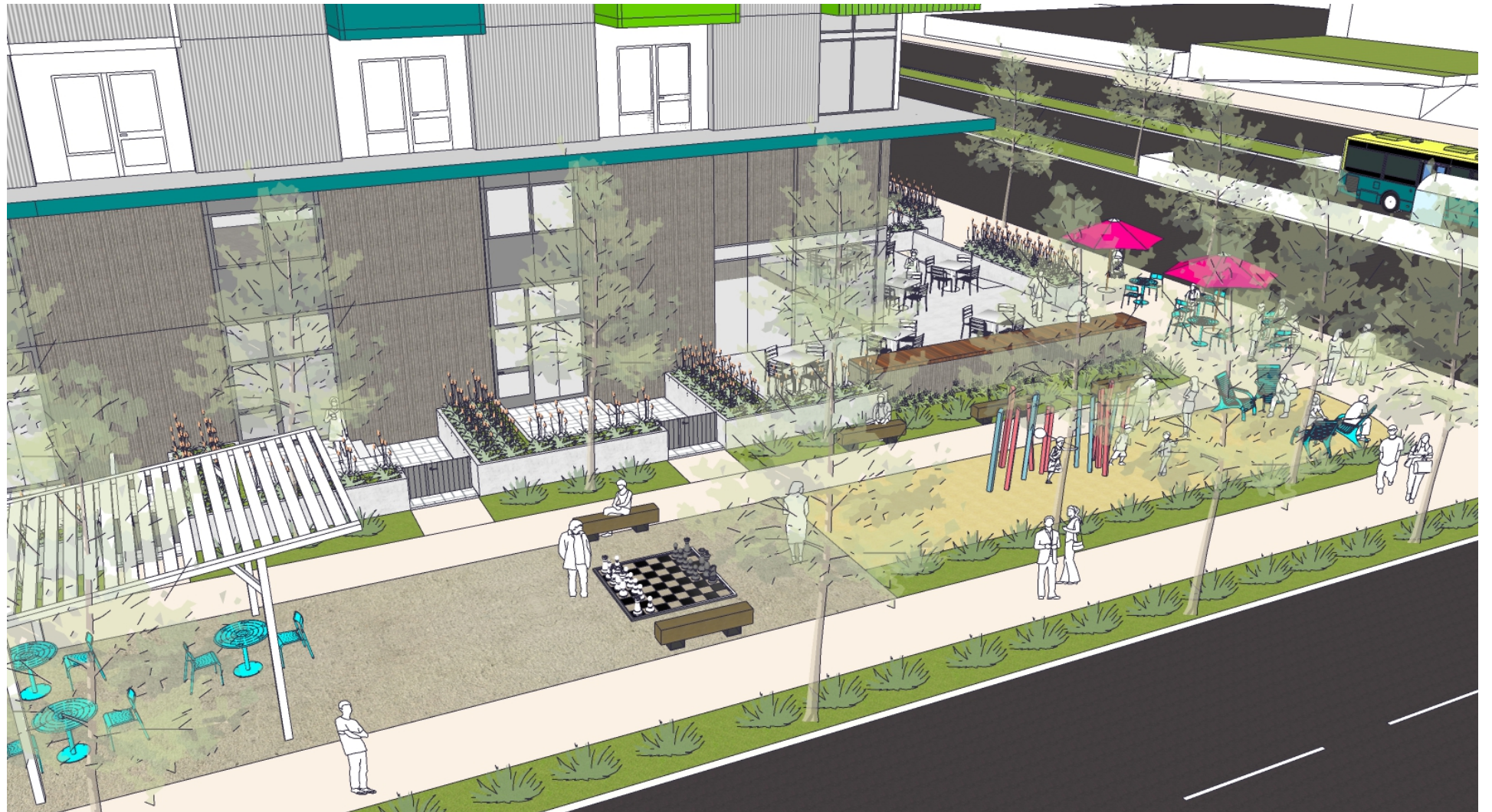


Normal Street Promenade

25'-35' Wide Linear Park

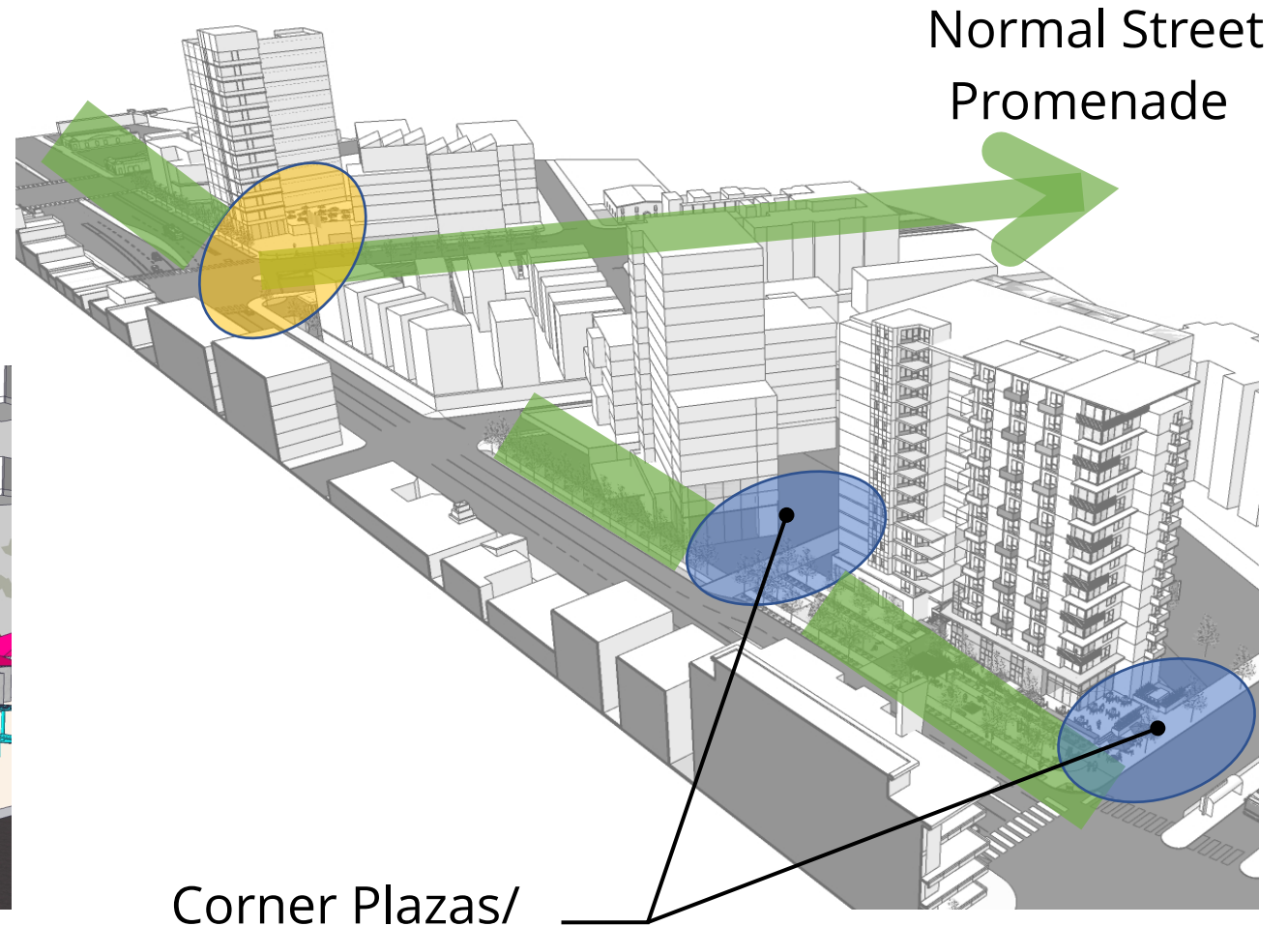


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Normal Street Promenade

Corner Plazas/  
Mini Park

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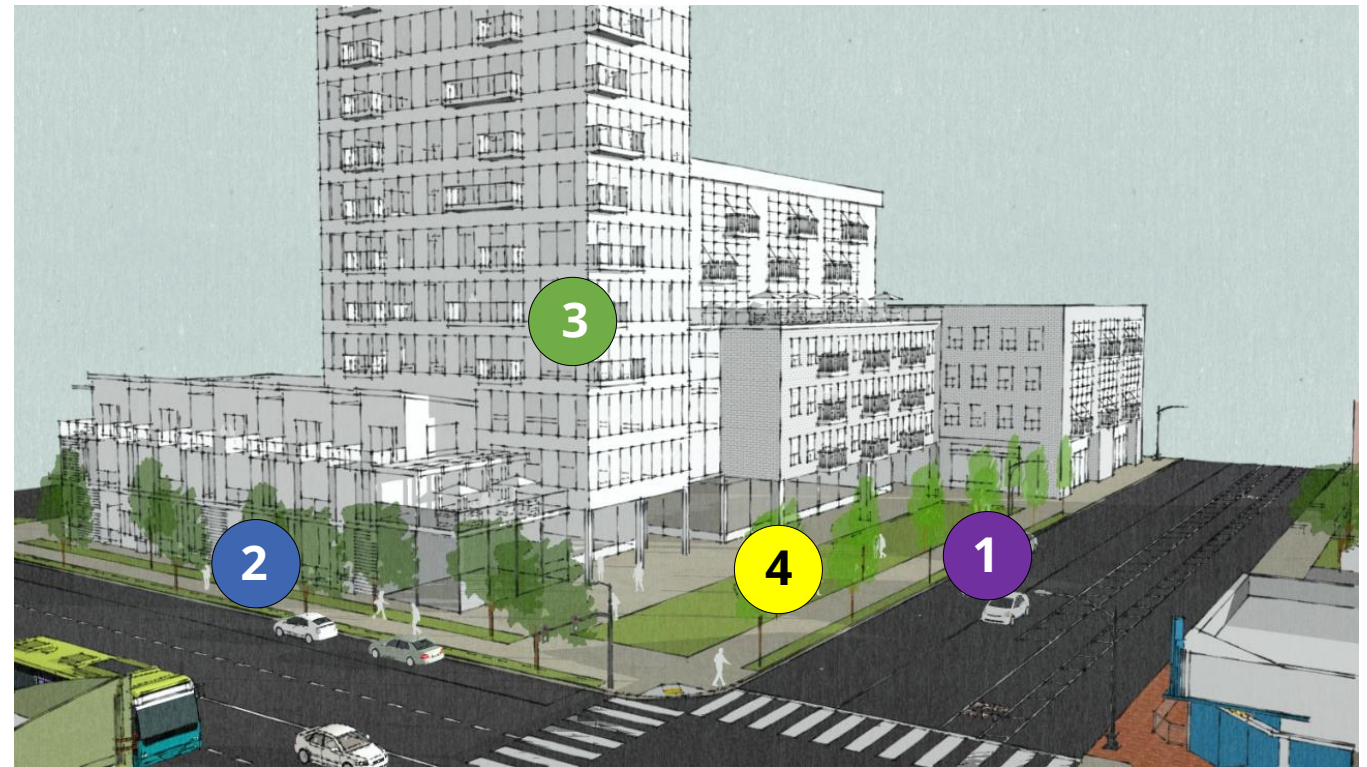




# Potential Implementation Tools



- 1 Reconfiguration of parking or roads
- 2 Setback requirements for development
- 3 Development incentives
- 4 Open space easements



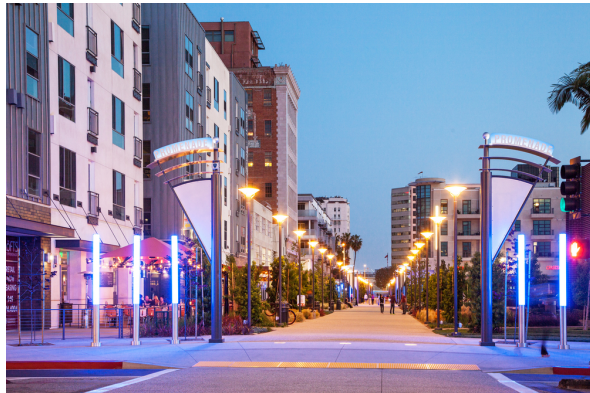




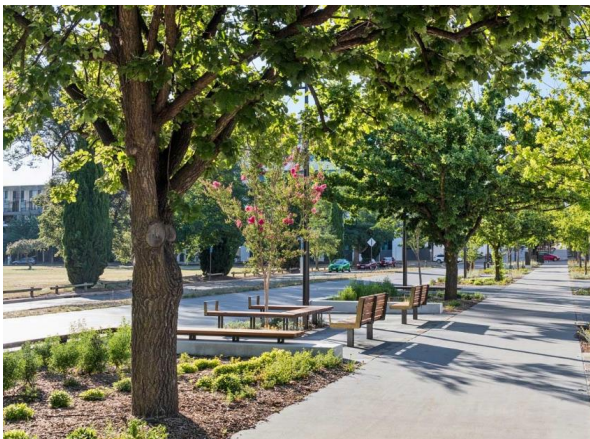
Corner Plaza



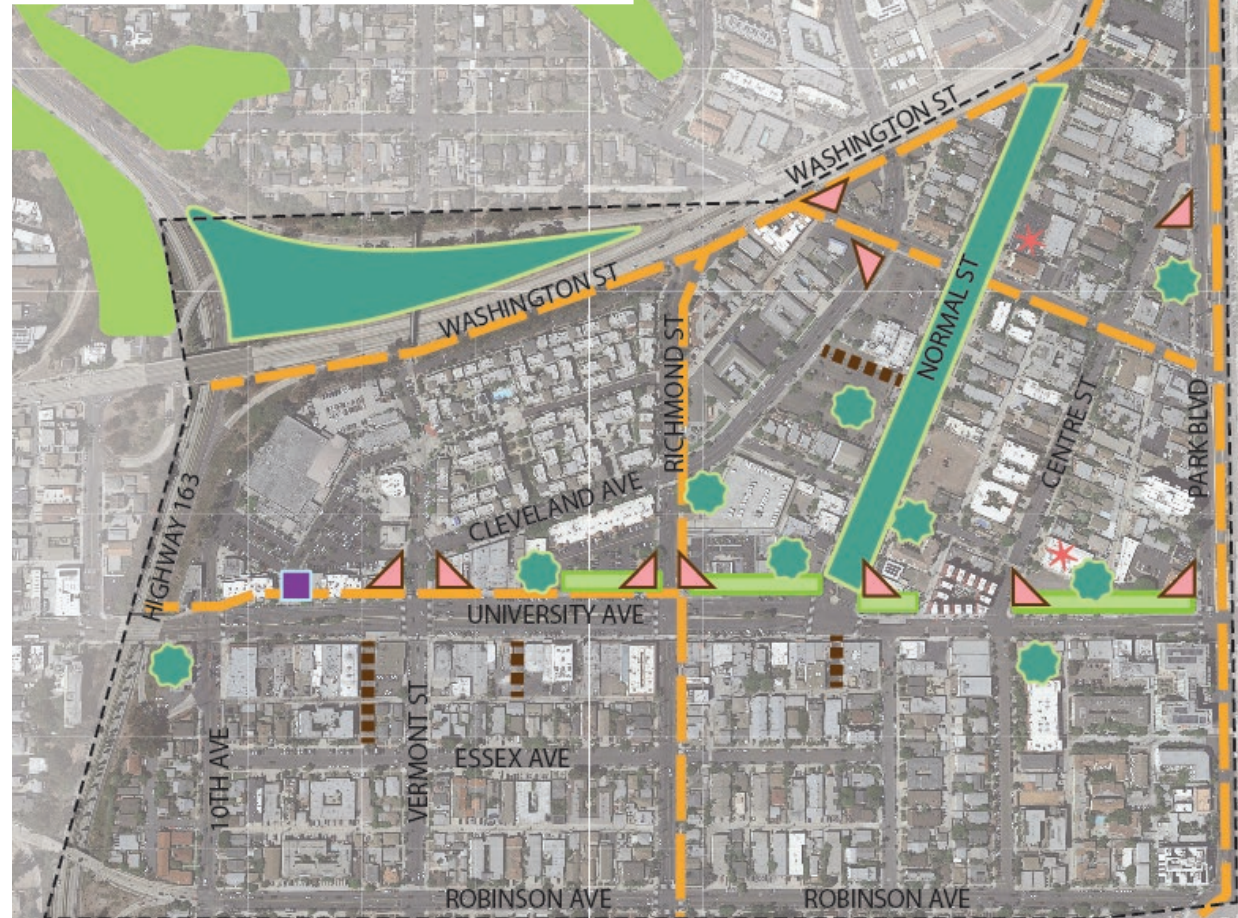
Linear Park















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Urban Corridor

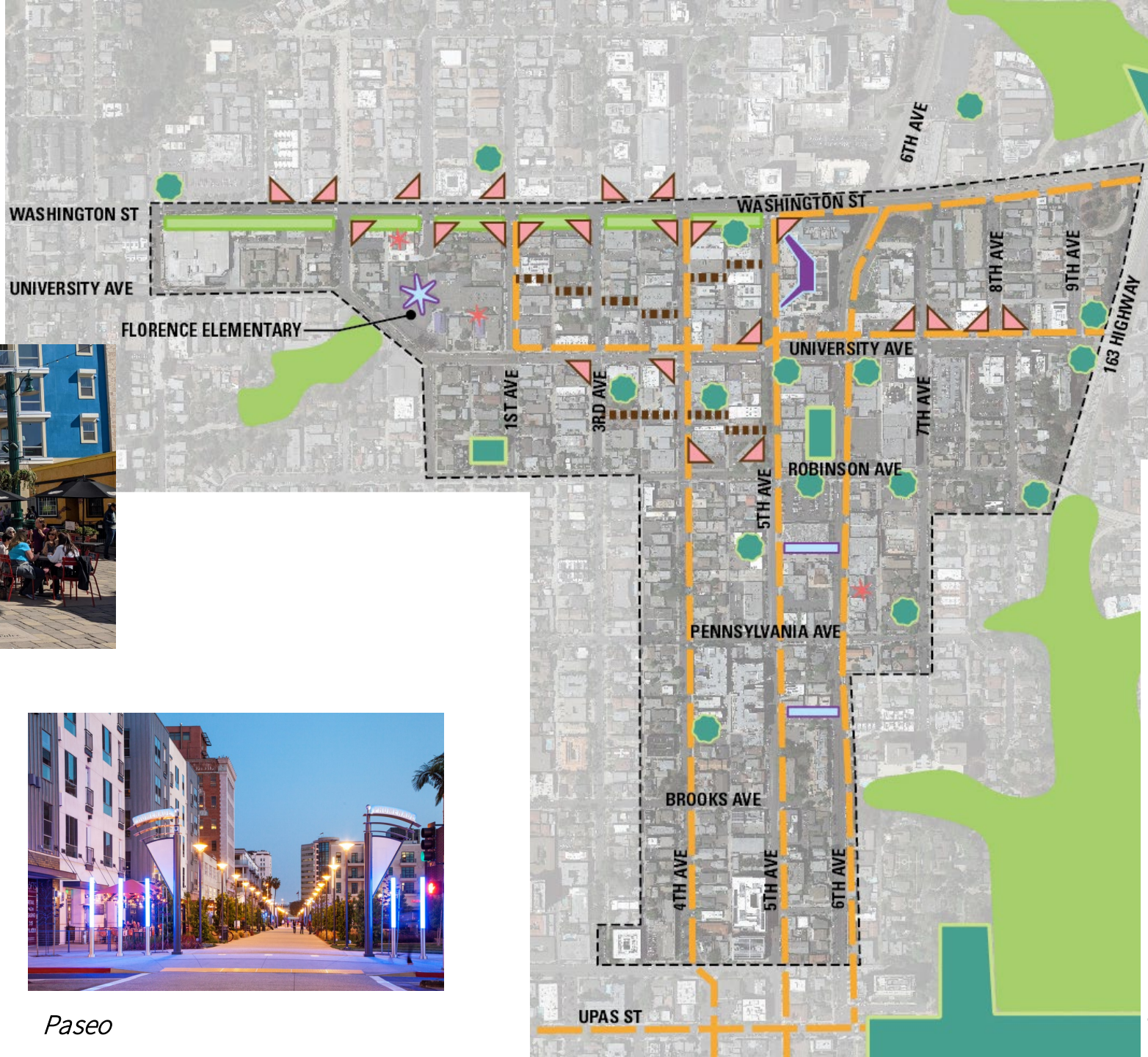


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-  Open Space
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-  Proposed Parks From Community Plan
-  Urban Corridors
-  Potential Mini-parks (Pocket Parks)
-  Corner Plazas
-  Paseos
-  Street Closures
-  Privately-owned Public Areas
-  Joint Use Opportunities
-  Community Buildings
-  Sub-area Boundary



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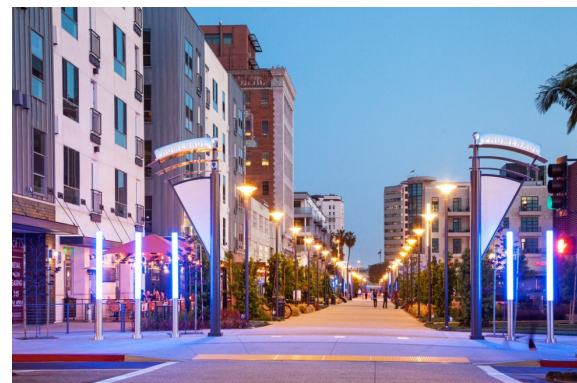
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*Street Closure / Woonerf*



*Mini-park or Plaza*



*Paseo*





Linear Park

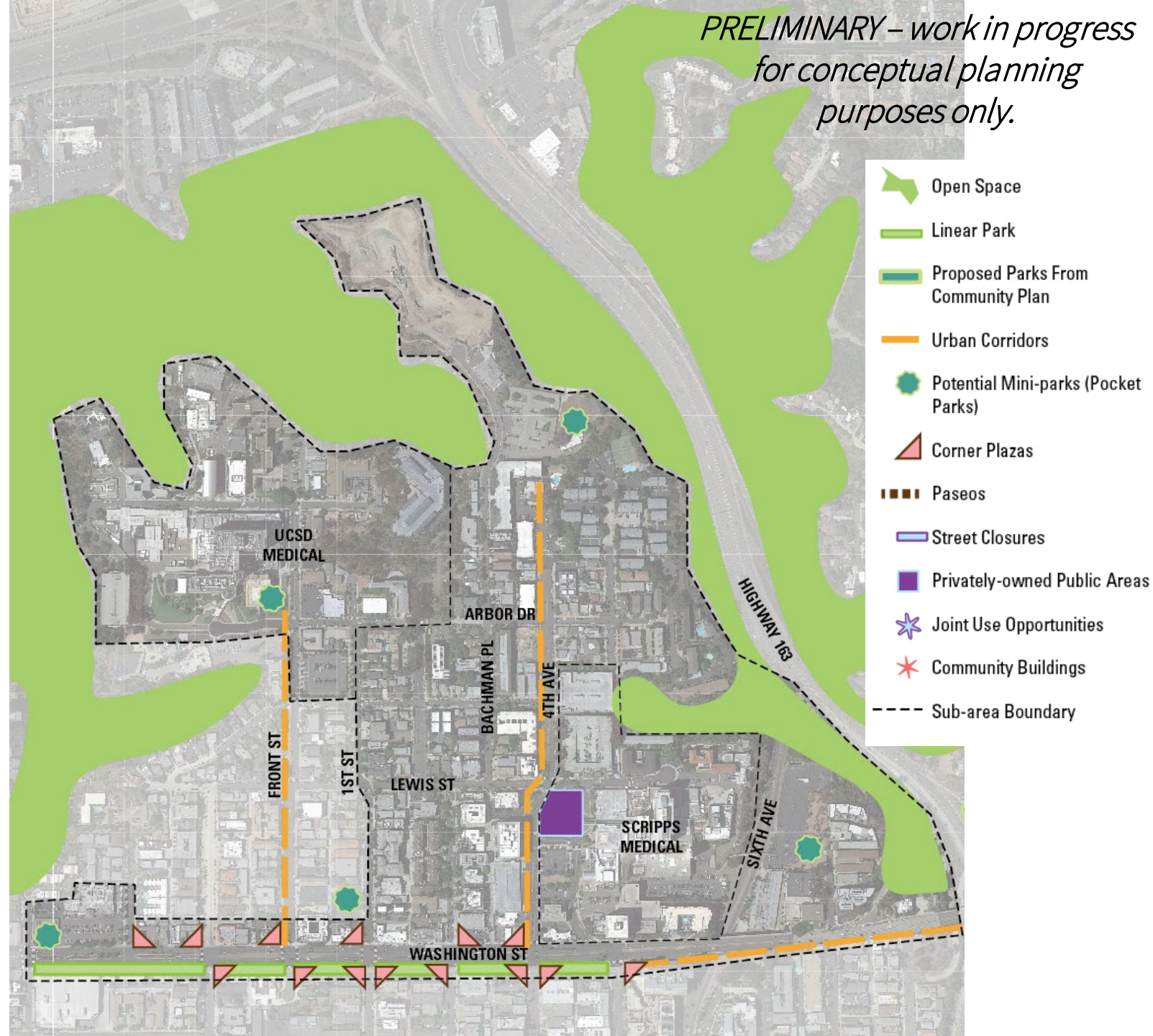


Corner Plaza



Mini-park

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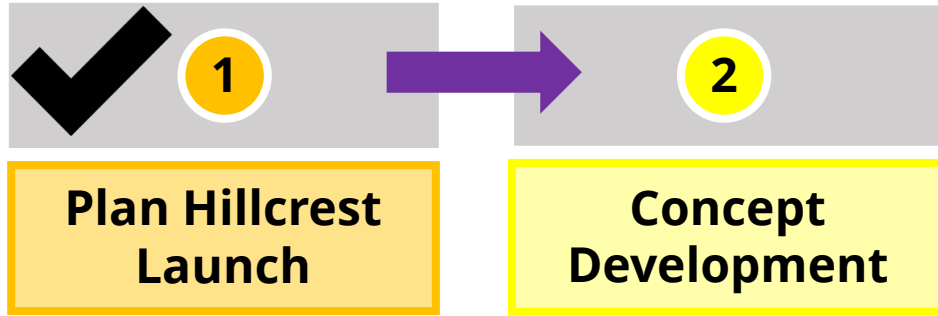
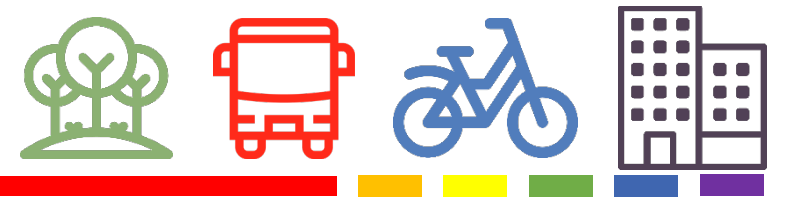


# Feedback / Question

1. Urban Greening Feedback
2. Linear Park / Urban Corridor Locations
3. Open Space System & Locations



# Next Steps – Spring 2021



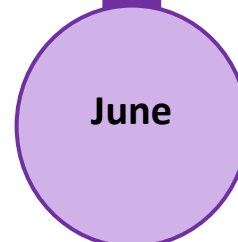
## Uptown Planners Subcommittee Upcoming Meeting Topics



Land Use and Building Design



Mobility



LGTBQ+ Cultural Historic District Concepts



### OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC INPUT



- CPG Subcommittee Meetings
- Online engagements

# Plan Hillcrest – How to Stay Involved

## Project Webpage

<https://www.planhillcrest.org/>

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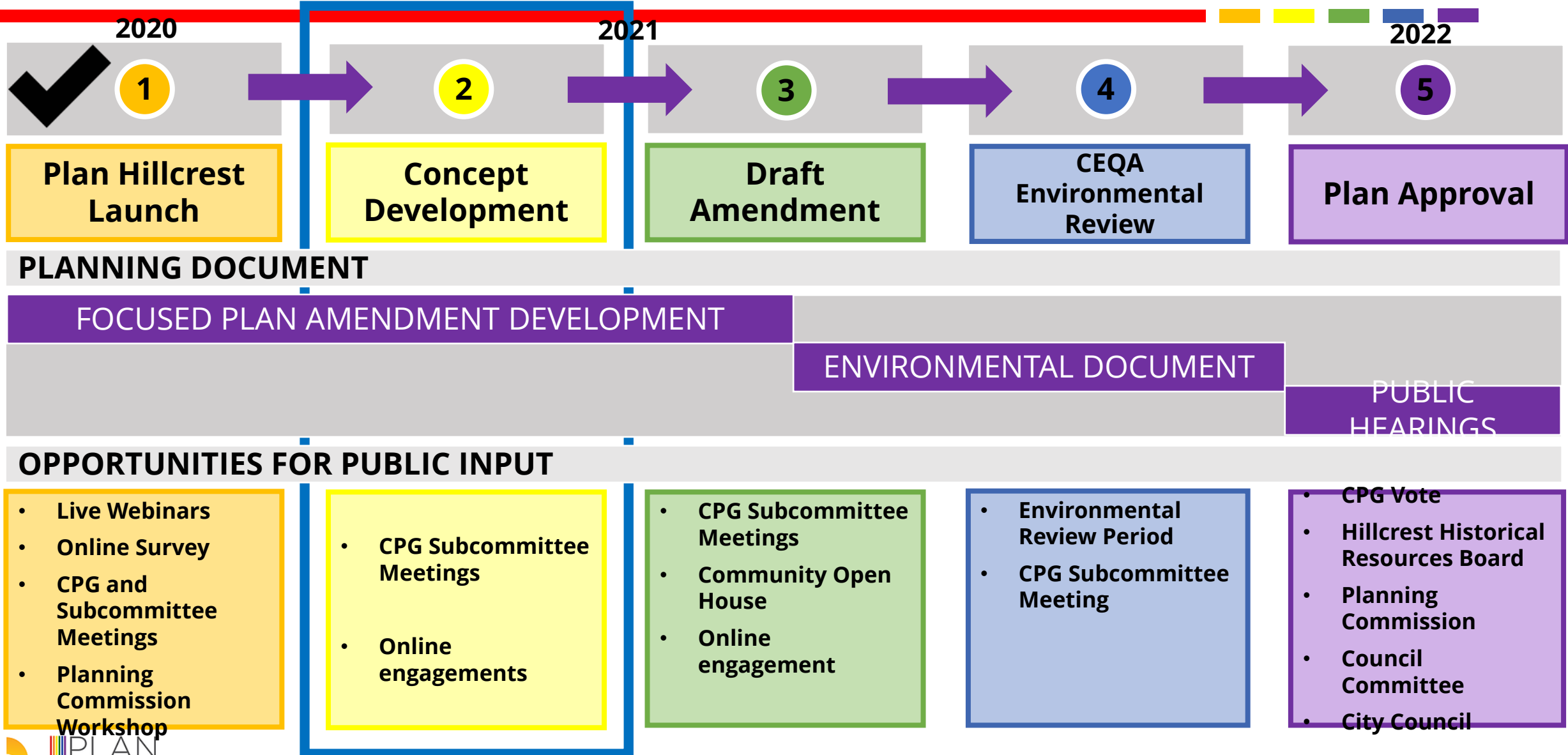
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# Plan Hillcrest Schedule



# Existing Parks Planning

## NORTHEAST

- University Heights Open Space
- Normal Street Promenade
- Sixth Avenue Pocket Park
- First and Robinson Pocket Park

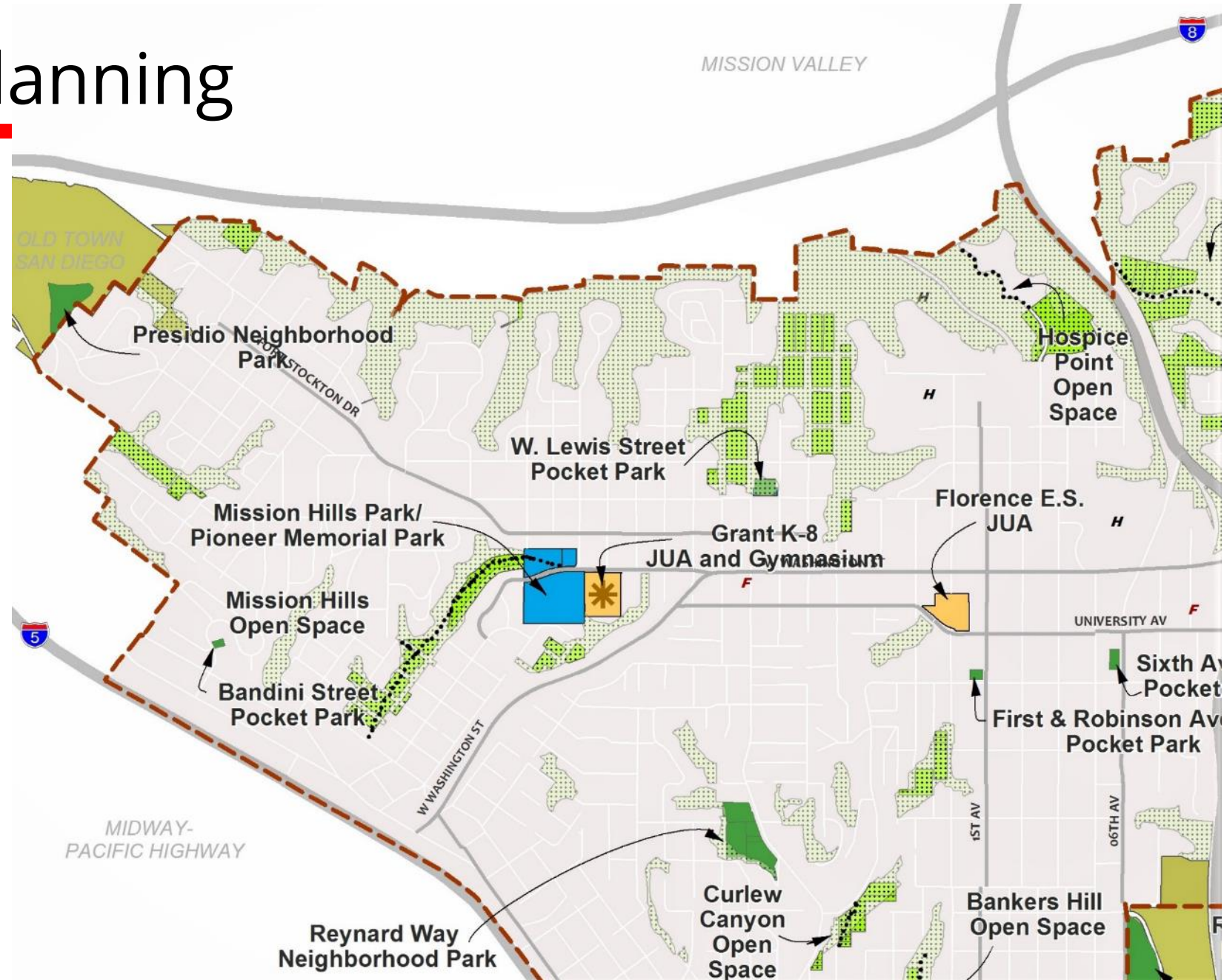




# Existing Parks Planning

## NORTHWEST

- Grant School Joint-use park/gym
- Reynard Way Neighborhood Park
- Curlew & Bankers Hill Open Spaces
- Pioneer Park
- Presidio Park





# Existing Parks Planning

## SOUTH

- 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Linear Park
- 2 Rec Centers
- Olive Street Mini Park
- West Maple Canyon Pocket Park



# Park Typologies - Mini-parks and plazas

